

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
Gaudete (Rejoice) Sunday

In both Office and Mass throughout Advent continual reference is made to our Lord's second coming, and this is emphasized on the third Sunday by the additional signs of gladness permitted on that day. Gaudete Sunday is further marked by a new Invitatory, the Church no longer inviting the faithful to adore merely "The Lord who is to come", but calling upon them to worship and hail with joy "The Lord who is now nigh and close at hand".

-Catholic Encyclopedia

The Knights of Columbus have sponsored the printing of the prayer of consecration to the Holy Family. All the faithful may want to consider consecrating your families and your homes to the Holy Family during this Advent season. They offer protection from evil and increase of grace and mercy from Christ for holiness of life.



Advent has been regarded in the Catholic faith as a "mini-Lent" because of its penitential character. Gaudete Sunday is a midpoint of the season, which is signified by the brightening of the liturgical colors at mass and the rose candle on the Advent wreath. We will notice in the readings at mass as well a lightening of the penitential themes, which give way to heavenly commands of "Rejoice!"



Dec 17-23 is known as the Octave (8 days) before Christmas. On each of these days the Church meditates on one of the titles of the coming Messiah assigned to him by Isaiah the prophet. These are expressed in the "O antiphons" traditionally chanted in the daily liturgies. Here are each of the antiphons for the days of the octave, as well as the references from the book of Isaiah:

Dec. 17 "**O Sapientia**" O **Wisdom**, O holy Word of God, you govern all creation with your strong yet tender care. Come and show your people the way to salvation. (Is. 11:2-3; 28:29)

Dec. 18 "**O Adonai**" O sacred **Lord** of ancient Israel, who showed yourself to Moses in the burning bush, who gave him the holy law on Sinai mountain: come, stretch out your mighty hand to set us free. (Is. 11:4-5; 33:22)

Dec. 19 "**O Radix Jesse**" O Flower of **Jesse's stem**, you have been raised up as a sign for all peoples; kings stand silent in your presence; the nations bow down in worship before you. Come, let nothing keep you from coming to our aid. (Is. 11:1-10)

Dec. 20 "**O Clavis David**" O **Key of David**, O royal Power of Israel controlling at your will the gate of Heaven: Come, break down the prison walls of death for those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death; and lead your captive people into freedom. (Is. 9:6; 22:22)

Dec. 21 "**O Oriens**" O Radiant **Dawn**, splendor of eternal light, sun of justice: come, shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death. (Is. 9:1)

Dec. 22 "**O Rex Gentium**" O **King of all the nations**, the only joy of every human heart; O Keystone of the mighty arch of man, come and save the creature you fashioned from the dust. (Is. 2:4; 9:5)

Dec. 23 "**O Emmanuel**" O **Emmanuel**, king and lawgiver, desire of the nations, Savior of all people, come and set us free, Lord our God. (Is. 7:14)

These antiphons were arranged in this order for a specific purpose. If you read the titles in reverse order and take the first letter of each, the Church receives a message from Christ himself.

Emmanuel, Rex, Oriens, Clavis, Radix, Adonai, Sapientia: ERO CRAS

It is a Latin message which is translated "**Tomorrow I will come**". What a timely message before we celebrate the birth of Christ the next day!

If you are crafty, or trying to find a way to engage your children in Advent, here's a hint. Do an internet search for O antiphon ornaments. It will blow your mind how clever Catholic parents can be!



When the word has been conveyed to you, does not the sound seem to say: *The word ought to grow, and I should diminish?* The sound of the voice has made itself heard in the service of the word, and has gone away, as though it were saying: *My joy is complete.* Let us hold on to the word; we must not lose the word conceived inwardly in our hearts. —St. Augustine

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AND FROM HIS FULLNESS WE HAVE RECEIVED.

Parents of newborns should make arrangements for baptism as soon as possible by calling the parish office.



BAPTISM

Godparents are to be confirmed in the Catholic Church, and they must be actively practicing their faith, living in full communion with the teaching of the Church.

THE HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

Monday, December 14, St. John of the Cross
5:30am @Immaculate Conception
Tuesday, December 15, Advent Tuesday
4:30 @ St. Isidore
Wednesday, December 16, Advent Wednesday
7:15am @Immaculate Conception
Thursday, December 17, Advent Thursday
7:15am @ Immaculate Conception
Friday, December 18, Advent Friday
No Mass
Saturday, December 19, 4th Sunday of Advent
6:00pm @Immaculate Conception
Sunday, December 20, 4th Sunday of Advent
7:00am @ Immaculate Conception
8:30am @ St. Isidore
10:30am @ Immaculate Conception



PENANCE

Sunday, 5:30 pm @ St. Isidore
Monday, 5:00pm @ Immaculate Conception
Tuesday, 5-5:30pm @ St. Isidore
Wednesday, after mass @Immaculate Conception
Wednesday, 5-5:30pm @ Immaculate Conception
Thursday, after mass @Immaculate Conception
Friday, No Penance
Saturday, 5:30pm @ Immaculate Conception
Sunday, after mass @ St. Isidore



...GRACE
UPON
GRACE



ADORATION

Tuesday, 5-6pm @ St. Isidore
Wednesday, 5-6 @ Immaculate Conception



MATRIMONY

Couples planning to get married should contact the parish office at least six months in advance to begin preparations.

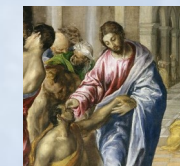


HOLY ORDERS

Fr. Kevin Achbach, Pastor
kachbach@diorc.org 605-848-2112

ANOINTING

If you or a loved one are seriously ill or anticipating surgery, call and arrange to receive the sacrament of anointing.



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Next Meeting
JANUARY
Wednesday
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Parish Office 325 S. Van Buren St.
PO Box 765 Winner
Open M-F, 9am-4pm
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St. Isidore Facebook St. Isidore the Farmer

Meeting on:
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ST. ISIDORE PARISH COUNCIL

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DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday - Dec. 12
Tom Falencik+ by Sue Herman
Sunday - Dec. 13
Special Intention
Greg Sherman+ by Renee & family
For the Parish
Monday - Dec. 14
Shauna Pravecsek+ by Tom & Jill Sell Family
Tuesday - Dec. 15
Dr. Imogene DeSmet+ by Irma DeSmet
Wednesday - Dec. 16
Jean Adel+ by her family
Thursday - Dec. 17
Jan Bowar+ by Gary Bowar Family
Friday - Dec. 18 - No Mass
Saturday - Dec. 19
Deceased Catholic Daughters by Winner Catholic Daughters
Sunday - Dec. 20
Special Intention
For the Parish
Esther Assman+ by Richard & Loretta Stoughton

Each day the priest offers the sacrifice of the mass for one special intention. These intentions can be for anyone living or deceased. To arrange a mass with your own intention, please fill out an envelope which can be found in the church entrance and drop it in the collection basket. Or you may simply contact the parish office to arrange a mass or masses. The parish asks for a \$10 donation per mass.



CHRISTMAS MASSES

Immaculate Conception - Christmas Eve Day Mass
 Thursday, December 24th at 4:30pm
St. Isidore - Christmas Eve Day Mass
 Thursday, December 24th at 7:00pm
Immaculate Conception - Christmas Day Mass
 Friday, December 25th at 8:30am



Pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet
 Thursdays - 10:00am
 at Immaculate Conception

'Saint Juliana's Prayer List'

Avery Eddie	Katrina Wagner	Jason Bartels
Reid Malnati	Gary Elder	Wendy Smith
Connie Vaughn	Janet DeMers	Bromley Heath
Jackie McKenzie	Jolene Corkle	Ruthie Storms Joachim
Jane Moser	Moni Stiehl	Fr. Tony Grossenburg
Joel Keierleber	Art Sattler	Jonathan Perez
Bill Briggs		

Prayers for our Family Members in the Military

Jacob Debus	Dylan Doering	Kris Schwartz
Daysha DeMers	Jeff Butler	Jacque Miller
Spencer Hughes	Gene Fisher	Christian Hamilton

St. Juliana's (Patron Saint of sickness) is a list of the people we are currently praying for because of illness or in the military. The military list will remain until we are notified. Please call the office (842-3520) to request continued prayers. To preserve the dignity and privacy of individuals, we ask that only an immediate family member call to request publication of names. We will presume they have permission from the individual to do so. Thank you for your understanding.



Do you or someone you know, want to join the Catholic Church or learn more about the Catholic faith? Call Fr. Kevin with contact information (605-848-2112).

Men's Group

Men of all ages are invited to join together each Tuesday morning for breakfast and scripture study. It's a great way to grow in our knowledge of God's eternal Word speaking to the particular challenges of our lives today. Also an amazing way to start the day! Come to the front door of the rectory at 6:30am. Lasts 1 hour.

For the next gathering:
"The Holy Family"
 Gospel of Luke, chapter 1 & 2

Faith Formation
St. Isidore
 Wednesdays - Meal at 5:30pm
 Class following the meal
 Rosary at 6:40pm
Immaculate Conception
 Wednesdays
 Dinner for students grade 9-12 ~ 5:45 - 6:15pm
 Class for Grades 1-12 ~ 6:15 - 7:00pm

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
 & **ST. ISIDORE**

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19th at 6:00pm
 Sacristan: Toni Donovan
 Lector: Irene Giessinger
 EME: Keith Moser
 Server: Ryan Sell

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20th at 7:00am
 Sacristan: Cindy Assman
 Lector: Jacqueline Schultz
 Server: Maree Pravecsek

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20th at 8:30am
 Lector: Todd
 Server: Aspyn
 Ushers: Chase/Ken
 Sacristan: Kris

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20th at 10:30am
 Sacristan: Carrie Kocer
 Lector: Jack Williams
 EME: Dee Williams
 Server: Browdy Kocer

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24th
CHRISTMAS EVE DAY MASS ~ 4:30pm
 Sacristan: Maxine Fisher
 Lector: Kelly Assman
 EME: Jeannie Heim
 Server: Mallory Thayer

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24th
CHRISTMAS EVE DAY MASS ~ 7:00pm
 Lector: Ryan
 Server: Kaden
 Ushers: Lyle/Bruce
 Sacristan: Jody

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25th
CHRISTMAS DAY MASS ~ 8:30am
 Sacristan: Judy Arthur
 Lector: Sandi Hausmann
 EME: Mike Hausmann
 Server: Justin Hausmann

WEEKEND COLLECTION REPORTS

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

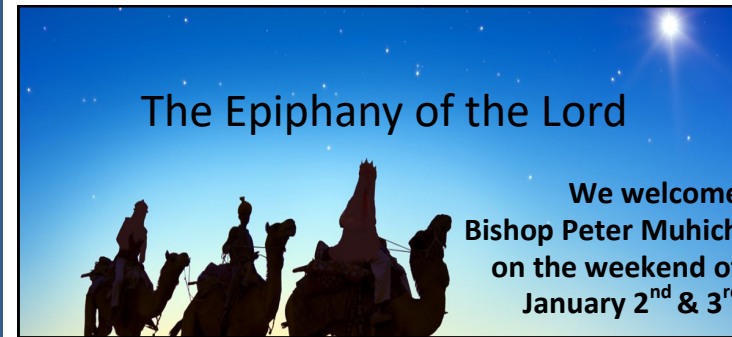
Dec. 5 - 8, 2020: Envelopes \$8,483.70, Loose \$61.00, Immaculate Conception \$265.00. **Total \$8,809.70**

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS: Priest Retirement \$25.00

ST. ISIDORE

Dec. 6, 2020: \$1,041.00

COLLECTION: December 13 ~ Carol K & Holly
 December 20 ~ Leslie & Van
 December 24 ~ Ryan & Craig



Let us do your Christmas baking!
St. Isidore's Youth

Homemade, Prepackaged Christmas Goodie Trays

Merry Christmas

Look for us outside of St. Isidore Church (Weather permitting — In the basement if not)
 9:30 - 11:00am Sunday, December 20
Free Will Offering
 Contact Jody or Holly for delivery.

Flowers in Memory of a Loved One

Envelopes are available at the entrance to the ICC church if you'd like to donate to the Christmas Flowers in your loved one's name.
 (Envelopes can be put in the collection)



Vocations News

This week we pray for the following vocations:

Monday - For Fr. Jim Hoerter and Fr. Tyler Dennis
 Tuesday - For Fr. Jonathan Dillon and Fr. Grant Gerlach
 Wednesday - For Fr. Adam Hofer and Fr. Mark Horn
 Thursday - For Fr. John Paul Trask and Fr. Zane Pekron
 Friday - For Msgr. Gerald McManus and Fr. Gregory Bartholomew, FSSP
 Saturday - For Fr. Ed Witt, SJ and Fr. Brad Held, SJ
 Sunday - For Fr. Ron Seminara, SJ and Fr. Joe Daoust, SJ



My deepest thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Angel Tree Program. Your generosity and kindness will bring happiness and joy to so many this Christmas Season.

Joyce Heath

Let us Pray,
 "Jesus, Mary and Joseph, with love for you I ask your intercession to protect the life of unborn children. May they all come to birth healthy and be a source of joy to their parents. For those in danger because of abortion, I adopt them as my own and pray for them and their mothers."
 (From www.rapidcitydiocese.org/family-life-ministries-social-justice/social-justice-commission)

If you have an emergency for which you are in need of a Priest,
 please call Fr. Kevin at 605-848-2112. If Father does not answer, leave your name, number and your request. Father will get back to you as soon as possible. Thank you!



ST. ISIDORE CHURCH CLEANING
December

Renee Bolie, Chair
 Janet DeMers
 Nancy McKenzie
 Lori Kalenda
 Church cleaning volunteers, if you cannot make it to clean the church at your scheduled time, please notify the chairperson of your month. Thank you!

Winner & Colome Knights of Columbus
 Tuesday, December 15th - 7:00 pm
 St. Mary's Hall



Your generous donations to the Food Pantry are GREATLY Appreciated!

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE
 The Diocese is working on details for Steubenville. We are hoping to register in January. Deposits will be due Feb. 1, 2021. Space has been reserved on the bus for Immaculate Conception and St. Isidore Youth. If you are interested in attending, please call the parish office (842-3520). We want to make sure you have a place at the conference and on the bus.



MARCH for LIFE
 JANUARY 26-31, 2021 | WASHINGTON, D.C.

Our pilgrimage will kick off at 6:30pm Tues., January 26th and end at the Cathedral for the 5:30pm Mass on Sun., January 31st. The pilgrimage is open to all high school and college-age students. Cost: \$550 (includes bus trip, hotel, some meals, snacks, entrance to the rallies, and an unforgettable experience witnessing to the sanctity of life.)
 Registration Deadline December 18, 2020. You can register on the Diocese of Rapid City's web page.

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